CLAIMS:

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- 1. A system for creating a web based tour for an item of interest characterised in that it includes the steps of:
 - establishing a tour identity;
 - associating one or more reference images with the tour identity;
 - positioning one or more reference icons on one or more of said reference images, each of said reference icons being associated with a further reference image;
 - and wherein a position of each of said reference icons is selected to provide information relating to said further reference image.
- 2. A system for creating a web based tour according to claim 1, characterized in that said tour identity optionally has associated therewith a tour description.
- A system for creating a web based tour according to claim 1, characterized in that each of said reference images optionally has an associated image description.
- 4. A system for creating a web based tour according to claim 3, characterized in that a reference image and a respective associated image description collectively form page and wherein said tour consists of a plurality of pages collected together as a list of pages.
- 5. A system for creating a web based tour according to claim 4, characterized in that each page is prepared according to a template selected from a number of predetermined template styles.
 - 6. A system for creating a web based tour according to claim 1, characterized in that said reference images are stored on one or more remote host servers.
- 7. A system for creating a web based tour according to claim 1, characterized in that at least one of said reference images is a map.
 - 8. A system for creating a web based tour according to claim 1, characterized in that in that at least one of said reference images is a plan.
 - 9. A system for creating a web based tour according to claim 1, characterized in that each of said reference icons serve to provide information regarding said further reference image associated therewith.

- 10. A system for creating a web based tour according to claim that said item of interest is real estate.
- 11. A web based tour for an item of interest characterised in that it includes
 - a tour identity having a respective tour description;
- a plurality of pages forming said tour, each page consisting of one or more reference images associated with the tour each reference having an associated image description;
 - one or more reference icons positioned on one or more of said reference images, each of said reference icons being associated with a further reference image;
 - and wherein a position of each of said reference icons is selected to provide information relating to said further reference image.
 - 12. A web based tour for an item of interest according to claim 11, characterised in that said item is a property and that at least one reference image is a plan of said property and wherein reference icons positioned on said plan are associated with reference images provide an indication of a position and direction from which said reference image was obtained and wherein at least one reference image represents a map and includes thereon a reference icon that provides an indication of a position of the property on the map.

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